

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
REQUEST FOR FILING NATIONAL PATENT APPLICATION

Under 35 USC 111(a) and Rule 53(b)

Asst. Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

WITH SIGNED DECLARATION

PATENT APPLICATION

NONPROVISIONAL  
NON REISSUE  
NON PCT NAT PHASE

Sir,

Herewith is the PATENT APPLICATION of  
Inventor(s): FINDERS et al

Title LITHOGRAPHIC METHOD AND APPARATUS

Atty. Dkt.: PM 0273961  
M#

P-0153.030-US  
Client Ref

including:

Date: September 28, 2000

1. Specification: 16 pages (only spec. and claims) 2. ☐ Specification in non-English language
3. Declaration ☒ Original ☐ Facsimile/Copy ☒ Abstract 1 page(s); 21 numbered claims
4. ☒ Drawings: 5 sheet(s) ☐ informal; ☒ formal of size: ☒ A4 ☐ 11"
5. ☐ See top first page re prior Provisional, National or International application(s). ("X" box only if info is there and do not complete corresponding item 5 or 6). (Prior M# SN )
6. **AMEND the specification** please by inserting before the first line: -- This is a ☐ Continuation-in-Part  
☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation ☐ Substitute Application (MPEP 201.09) of:
- 6(a) ☐ National Appln. No. / filed (M# )
- 6(b) ☐ International Appln. No. filed
7. ☐ **AMEND the specification** by inserting before the first line: -- This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/ , filed --
8. ☒ Attached is an assignment and cover sheet. Please return the recorded assignment to the undersigned.
9. ☐ Prior application is assigned to

by Assignment recorded Reel Frame

10. **FOREIGN** priority is claimed under 35 USC 119(a)-(d)/365(b) based on filing in European Patent Office

11. (country)

Application No.	Filing Date	Application No.	Filing Date
(1) 99307686.8	29-SEP-1999	(2) 99203704.4	07-NOV-1999
(3) 00200184.0	18-JAN-2000	(4)	
(5)		(6)	
(7)		(8)	
(9)		(10)	

12. 3 (No.) Certified copy (copies): ☒ attached; ☐ previously filed (date) filed on
- in U.S. Application No. /

13. ☐ Attached: \_\_\_\_\_ (No.) Verified Statement(s) establishing "small entity" status under Rules 9 & 27.
14. DOMESTIC/INTERNATIONAL priority is claimed under 35 USC 119(e)/120/365(c) based on the following provisional, nonprovisional and/or PCT international application(s):

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(1)		(4)	
(2)		(5)	
(3)		(6)	

15. ☐ This application is being filed under Rule 53(b)(2) since an inventor is named in the enclosed Declaration who was not named in the prior application.

16. ☒ Attached: (1) Preliminary Amendment; (2) Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and references cited

17. ☒ Preliminary Amendment: Claim 3, line 1, delete "or 2"; Claim 5, line 1, delete "or 2"; claim 6, line 1, change "any one of the preceding claims" to --claim 1--; claim 8, line 1, change "any one of the preceding claims" to --claim 1--; claim 9, line 1, change "any one of the preceding claims" to --claim 1--; claim 10, line 1, change "any one of the preceding claims" to --claim 1--; claim 11, line 1, change "any one of the preceding claims" to --claim 1--; claim 14, line 1, change "any of the claims 1-13" to --claim 1--; claim 15, line 1, change "any of the claims 1-14" to --claim 1--; claim 17, line 6, change "any one of claims 1 to 16" to --claim 1--; and claim 21, line 1, delete "or 20".

**THE FOLLOWING FILING FEE IS BASED ON CLAIMS AS FILED LESS ANY ABOVE CANCELLED**

				Large/Small Entity		Fee Code
18. Basic Filing Fee				\$690/\$345	\$690	101/201
19. Total Effective Claims	23	minus 20 =	*3	x \$18/\$9 =	+ 54	103/203
20. Independent Claims	3	minus 3 =	*0	x \$78/\$39 =	+ 0	102/202
*If answer is zero or less, enter "0"						
21. If any proper multiple dependent claim (ignore improper) is present, add (Leave this line blank if this is a reissue application)				+ \$260/\$130	+ 0	104/204
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25. <input type="checkbox"/> Attached is a Petition/Fee under Rule No.				+ \$130	+ 0	122
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